EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS BOARD[282]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rule making related to teacher and administrator licenses and endorsements and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Educational Examiners Board hereby proposes to amend Chapter 13, "Issuance of Teacher Licenses and Endorsements," and Chapter 18, "Issuance of Administrator Licenses and Endorsements," Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 272.2.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 272.2.

Purpose and Summary

The proposed amendments remove the testing requirement for out-of-state applicants who have completed assessments in another state, add a new 5-12 Mathematics – basic endorsement, expand the teacher intern program endorsement areas, simplify conditional licensure, allow career and technical authorization holders to obtain a multioccupations endorsement, and remove course deficiencies for any out-of-state administrator who has at least five years of experience.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Board for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 282—Chapter 6.

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Board no later than 4:30 p.m. on February 1, 2022. Comments should be directed to:

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Public Hearing

If requested, a public hearing at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

February 1, 2022 11 a.m. to 12 noon Board Room 701 East Court Avenue, Suite A Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at the public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rule making.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Board and advise of specific needs.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making actions are proposed:

- ITEM 1. Amend subparagraph 13.5(2)"b"(2) as follows:
- (2) Shall provide verification of successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education if the teacher preparation program was completed on or after January 1, 2013, and the applicant has verified fewer than three years of valid out-of-state teaching experience. If the teacher preparation program was completed prior to January 1, 2013, or if the applicant has verified three years of valid out-of-state teaching experience, the applicant must provide verification of successfully passing the mandated assessment(s) in the state in which the applicant is currently licensed (or verify highly qualified status) or must provide verification of successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education. one of the following:
- 1. Successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education if the teacher preparation program was completed on or after January 1, 2013; or
- 2. Successfully passing the mandated assessment(s) in the state in which the applicant is currently licensed; or
 - 3. Three years of teaching experience while holding a valid teaching license.
 - ITEM 2. Amend subrule 13.5(3) as follows:
- 13.5(3) Applicants from foreign institutions. An applicant for initial licensure whose preparation was completed in a foreign institution must additionally obtain a course-by-course credential evaluation report completed by one of the board-approved credential evaluation services and then file this report with the Iowa board of educational examiners for a determination of eligibility for licensure. After receiving the notification of eligibility by the Iowa board of educational examiners, the applicant must provide verification of successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) pursuant to subparagraph 13.5(2)"b"(2) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education.
 - ITEM 3. Amend rule 282—13.9(272) as follows:

282—13.9(272) Teacher intern license.

13.9(1) *Authorization*. The teacher intern is authorized to teach in grades 7 to 12 within qualified endorsement areas approved by the Iowa department of education for teacher internships.

13.9(2) No change.

- 13.9(3) Teacher intern requirements. A teacher intern license <u>and endorsement</u> may be issued to an applicant who has been recommended by an institution with a state-approved intern program and who has met the background check requirements set forth in rule 282—13.1(272).
 - 13.9(4) and 13.9(5) No change.
 - ITEM 4. Amend subrule 13.11(1) as follows:
- **13.11(1)** Endorsement in progress. The individual has a valid initial, standard, master educator, permanent professional, Class A extension, exchange, or professional service license and one or more endorsements but is seeking to obtain some other endorsement. A Class B license may be issued if requested by an employer and if the individual seeking to obtain some other endorsement has completed at least two-thirds of the requirements, or one-half of the content requirements in a state-designated shortage area, leading to completion of all requirements for the endorsement. A Class B license may not be issued for the driver's education endorsement.
 - ITEM 5. Adopt the following **new** paragraph **13.28(12)"d"**:
- d. 5-12 mathematics—basic. Completion of 24 semester hours in mathematics which must minimally include a course titled college algebra or a higher algebra course, a geometry course, a computer programming course, and a probability and statistics course.
 - ITEM 6. Amend subrule 13.28(33) as follows:
 - **13.28(33)** *Multioccupations.*
- a. Completion of any 5-12 endorsement and, in addition thereto, coursework in foundations of career and technical education and coordination of cooperative programs, and work experience which meets one of the following:
 - (1) Four thousand hours of career and technical experience in two or more careers; or
- (2) One thousand hours Two hundred forty hours of work experience or externships in two or more careers and two or more years of teaching experience at the PK-12 level.
 - b. No change.
 - c. Holders of the career and technical authorization are eligible to apply to add this endorsement.
 - ITEM 7. Amend **282—Chapter 13**, implementation sentence, as follows:

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 272 and 2014 Iowa Acts, chapter 1116, division VI.

- ITEM 8. Adopt the following new paragraph 18.6(1)"d":
- d. Has less than five years of verified experience as a school administrator while holding a valid administrator license.